



Oklahoma Camp Gruber

Facility and Location

Camp Gruber Maneuver Training Center-Light (CGMTC-L) is located 14 miles southeast of Muskogee and is comprised of more than 33,000 acres. It was an Army training camp between 1944 and 1949. In 1942 and 1944, 65,650 additional acres of land in Muskogee County and Cherokee County were acquired. In July 1945, the 86th Infantry Division was relocated to Camp Gruber to retrain for war in the Pacific theater. Camp Gruber was also used as a prisoner of war camp until May 1946. Camp Gruber was closed at the end of WWII. In 1949, 31,284 acres were deeded to the State of Oklahoma. Cherokee National Wildlife Area or Gruber Public Hunting Area (north half), and Gruber Refuge (south half) were formerly a portion of Camp Gruber Military Reservation.

Camp Gruber reopened in 1977 for reserve and active unit training. In 1988, the National Guard Air Assault School was opened. From 1988 to 1994, the only Air Assault School training facility for the National Guard was based here. The school was the only air assault training facility for the National Guard, and was rated number one of all air assault schools in the nation.

Media Sampled and Findings

Drinking Water — In 2011, two of two samples detected perchlorate at 0.04 and 0.06 ppb.

Appropriate Actions

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.